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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN	
JOHN EMERY	Term Expires 1977
RAY FRIZZELL	1977
FREDERICK BENWAY	1979
TOWN OF EDIA	
TOWN CLERK	4070
DORIS STEARNS	1979
TOWN TREASURER	
DORIS STEARNS	1979
TAX COLLECTOR	
ELECTA OSGOOD	1979
AUDITOR	
SUSAN WYMAN	1977
ROAD AGENT	
CARL POTTER	1977
CHIEF OF POLICE	
DONALD CROTEAU	1977
TRUSTEE OF CEMETERY FUND:	c
HAROLD JENKINS	1977,
HAROLD JENKING	1977,
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
FRANCES PEPAU	1977
BEATRICE TUTTLE MADELEINE CROTEAU	1978
MADELEINE CROTEAU	1979
MODERATOR	
RAYNOLD DALEY	1978
SUPERVISORS	
FRANCES PEPAU	1978
BEATRICE TUTTLE	1980
EMMA MILES	1982

SEXTON

HARLEY MASON 1977

BALLOT CLERKS

MARGARET FRIZZELL Appointed JUANITA BENWAY Appointed

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WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stark, in County of Coos, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notifed to meet in Stark Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.
- To see if the Town will vote for the adoption of absentee voting at Town Meeting. (Voting on this article to be by written ballot throughout the period when the polls are open to receive such ballots.)
- 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the fire organization heretofore known as "The Stark Volunteer Fire Department" as a department of said Town, administration of same to be governed in accord with RSA 154 as supplemented and amended. (Voting on this article to be by written ballot throughout the period when the polls are open to receive such ballots.) (This article inserted on petition of voters.)
- 4. To see if the Town will vote to elect two auditors for staggered two-year terms.
- To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
- 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 for current expenses.
- 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$700 for elections and registrations.
- 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$700 for expenses for the Town Hall and other Town Buildings.
- 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the Police Department.

- 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for fire expenses of the Town.
- 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,550 for insurance.
- 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 for damages and legal expenses.
- 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25.00 for vital statistics.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200 for ambulance services from the Town of Northumberland.
- 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50 for the Health Officer.
- 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 for a donation to Weeks Memorial Hospital.
- 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400 for Public Health Nursing Services for the Town.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$450. for Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Services.
- 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500 for the maintenance of the dump.
- 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for street lighting.
- To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct the so-called Goodwin Road or have the owners maintain the road for payment equal to each years taxes.
- 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept aid for Class V Highways and to raise the sum of \$456.88 and set this amount aside for this purpose. (The State will contribute \$3,045.89).
- 23. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for expenses to the Highway Department.

- 24. To see if the Town will vote to rescind prior votes of the Town regarding expenditure of monies recovered for Nash Stream Flood damage, and give the Selectmen the power to spend the necessary amount to cover the Town's share of constructing a new bridge over Nash Stream; this amount shall not exceed the amount of money with interest recovered through damages during Nash Stream flood of May, 1969.
- 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 for Public Library services.
- 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for Old Age Assistance.
- 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate:
 - A. Town Poor \$300.00
 - B. Soldiers Aid 200.00
- 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 for community recreation and beautification.
- 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$800 in addition to the interest from the Cemetery Trust Funds, for the upkeep of the cemeteries.
- 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$266 as the Town's share for operation of North Country Council for one year beginning July 1, 1976.
- 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for surveying Town Lines.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for improvements to the Emerson Cemetery addition.
- 33. To see if the Town will vote to have the appraisal division of the Department of Revenue Administration conduct a complete revaluation starting in 1979 or thereafter and to establish a capital reserve fund for that purpose. (Such revaluation having been ordered by The Board of Taxation).
- 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the revaluation of the Town by the Appraisal Division

of the Department of Revenue Administration and to authorize the withdrawal of such sums from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts indicated herewith or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation:	An	nount
Police Department	\$	1,000
Summer Maintenance		2,500
General Expenses Highway Dept.		1,000
Emerson Cemetery Improvement		500

36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Anti-Recession Fiscal Assistance Fund established under the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purpose in the amount indicated or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation:	Amount
Summer Maintenance	\$ 135.00

- 37. To see if the Town will vote to give a discount of 2% for payment of taxes if paid within 10 days after tax bill has been presented.
- 38. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to apply for any federal public works funds which may be available for the purpose of rebuilding or renovating the Town Hall or the Schoolhouse; to allow the Selectmen to accept and expend up to \$50,000 in federal funds to match such town funds as may be available for these purposes.
- To take up any other business that should legally come before said meeting.

The polls will be open until 6 p.m.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

JOHN W. EMERY RAY U. FRIZZELL FREDERICK J. BENWAY

Selectmen of Stark

A true copy of Warrant: Attest

JOHN W. EMERY RAY U. FRIZZELL FREDERICK J. BENWAY

Selectmen of Stark

SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Article 5:

Recommend that the following sums be raised to defray Town Charges: (Town Officers Salaries)

Selectmen, First Year	\$ 350.00
Selectmen, Second Year	450.00
Selectmen, Third Year	550.00
Auditor	60.00
Treasurer	150.00
Town Clerk	200.00
Tax Collector (estimate)	1,950.00
	\$ 3,710.00

Article 9:

Recommend that the following budget be raised for the Police Department:

Salary of Constable	\$	450.00
Expenses of Constable		250.00
Police Specials		150.00
Police Supplies		150.00
	\$ 1	,000.00

Article 23:

Recommend that the following sums be raised for the Highway Department:

Summer Maintenance	\$ 9,000.00
Winter Maintenance	12,500.00
General Expenses of Highway	
Department	10,000.00
	\$31,500.00

BOARD OF SELECTMEN CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

In our Nation's Bicentennial Year, Stark got off to its usual disheveled start with the rush to close the 1975 books. No matter the good resolves and intentions of every Town Officer to be exact and timely, it was near the last of January before the Auditor was submitted the last accounts. And as usual, some of the books needed attention column by column and line by line. Lillian Gilman, 1975 Auditor, struggled in vain, and still the accounts could not be made to agree. Stark should be ashamed that this person, who exerted such effort when she was so crippled by arthritis that she could not teach, went without a "thank you" and met gestures of amazement when she declined the office for 1976.

The '75 report went to press page by page and everyone breathed a sigh of relief when it returned, with even enough time to allow a hurried hand delivery before Town Meeting.

Dave Peel left office with the satisfaction that he had fulfilled his term, upholding his oath of office. He too, went largely unthanked, remembered more for mistakes than for the services he rendered and the accounts he kept during his three years as Selectman.

In an attempt at keeping with RSA 91-A (Public Right to Know Law), regularly scheduled Selectmen's Meetings were set, published and posted by the Board of Selectmen this year. To my knowledge, a full record of the meetings is not available, for having kept minutes of meetings in the past year, I urged that this responsibility be accepted by one of the other board members, feeling the bookkeeper has enough duties in keeping books and filing reports.

A set of New Hampshire Law books was purchased in May, 1976. Used in conjunction with Town Officer's Handbooks, these should prove to be an invaluable asset to the Town in the time and inconvenience saved looking for correct procedures to be followed by Town Officers, not to mention fees that may be saved seeking advice of Town Counsel when information is near at hand. I sincerely hope that supplements and amendments will be added to the set to keep it up to date.

A Bicentennial Flag was presented to the Town at the Fiddlers Contest on the last Sunday in June, making Stark an official Bicentennial Community. The Contest was held in conjunction with out Nation's Bicentennial, and the net proceeds added to monies which may someday improve the Town Hall. A full Spring and Summer were spent in planning and arranging improvements but a negotiated contract proposed by Richard & Son of Berlin, low bidder on the project, was rejected at the last minute for reasons that are not entirely clear to me.

The outcome of a June hearing came by Certified mail dated August 16, 1976. The Board of Taxation "finds that taxable property in the Town of Stark is improperly and unequally assessed to such a degree that revaluation of all property is necessary." The Board of Taxation has therefore, ordered that this be done in accordance with RSA 75:1, to "become effective as of April 1, 1977." Through negotiations, the necessary time extension will be granted if the Town will vote to have the job done by the Appraisal Division of the Department of Revenue Administration.

Through the Tri-County Council, a federally funded Job Program was made available in Stark. Several local youths, under the direction of Philip Croteau as Project Director, were employed to make our cemeteries more presentable. During the twelve weeks the program ran, the cemeteries were kept clipped and mowed, fences were improved, railings on Philips Brook Bridge near the Sullivan Road were repaired, and the Covered Bridge was spruced up again.

On August 20, 1976, the Bicentennial Committee, appointed by the 1973 Board of Selectmen, held its last meeting. At this meeting it was voted to liquidate all remaining non-liquid assets to the Stark Improvement Fund, Inc. It was also voted that \$10,000, which sum was the total remaining assets of the Bicentennial Committee, be turned over to the Town of Stark Treasury. By vote of the 1975 Town Meeting, these monies are to be used for "improvements to the Town Hall and a portion to be set aside for recreational facilities for the youth." The Committee then individually signed a written resignation dissolving the Stark Bicentennial Committee. This resignation is on file with the Town Clerk.

The paper work background for a new Nash Stream Bridge has been nearly completed. Due to the long dragged out court proceedings, damages recovered for the flood will no longer meet the expenses of replacing both bridges. Nash Stream Bridge will provide the necessary route for the heavy vehicles that must

come from the northern reaches of the Township to Groveton and other points.

Closing the books for 1976 has proved to be a repeat of 1975. After several months of searching it was found that Sue Wyman would accept an appointment to fill the office of Auditor. Again the last set of accounts was not turned in to audit until after February 1. And again some accounts need more attention than should be reasonably expected. Dave Peel, upon desperate request, agreed to assist. Even with two working on the accounts it will be somewhat miraculous if Town Reports can be completed for Town Meeting. I recommend that two auditors be elected in the future.

I leave office with a feeling of satisfaction that I fulfilled my term and that I have sincerely tried to act in behalf of the Town's best interest during my three years in office.

I submit this report bluntly and frankly with the hope that it may urge more people to take an active interest in our system of self-government, to learn how it functions, and through this knowledge, to initiate improvements.

Respectfully submitted, John W. Emery 1976 Chairman Board of Selectmen

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STARK

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977
General Government: Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,710.00 2,000.00 1,000.00 600.00 75.00	\$ 4,860.89 2,861.24 1,478.02 681.18	\$ 3,710.00 3,000.00 700.00 700.00
Protection of Persons and Property: Police Department	850.00 1,500.00 1,300.00 600.00	954.80 128.08 1,409.25	1,000.00 1,000.00 1,550.00 300.00

	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977
Health Dept. (Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance) Vital Statistics	800.00	1,150.00 19.00 2,202.79	1,400.00 25.00 2,500.00
Highways & Bridges: Town Maintenance — Summer & Winter Street Lighting	19,000.00 1,200.00 9,000.00 459.21	21,152.22 861.35 9,048.92 459.21	21,500.00 1,000.00 10,000.00 456.88
Libraries:	300.00	300.00	300.00
Public Welfare: Town Poor Old Age Assistance Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled	300.00 2,000.00 200.00	70.00 1,147.40 144.68	300.00 1,500.00 200.00
Recreation	300.00	220.91	300.00
Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries	1,080.00 242.00	1,105.71 474.40	1,250.00 266.00

	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977
Capital Outlay: Emerson Cemetery	2,000.00 1,500.00 5,100.00 5,000.00	1,822.30 1,141.00 6,000.00	500.00 500.00 6,800.00
Revaluation			5,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$62,116.21		\$65,757.88

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STARK

Sources of Revenue:	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Rev. Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 650.00	\$ 712.81	\$ 700.00
Railroad Tax	90.06	100.30	100.00
Savings Bank Tax	90.00	82.57	80.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,500.00	2,630.60	2,500.00
In Lieu of Tax A/C Wht. Mtn. Nat'l For	10,000.00	2,735.45	20,000.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	6,468.56	6,007.54	6,000.00
Forest Fire		63.22	20.00
For Heavily Timbered Towns		2,158.51	1,500.00
Reimb. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	975.00	1,031.30	1,000.00
Duncan Fund (Class V Maintenance)	5,100.00	6,872.48	6,800.00

	Estimated Revenue Previous	Actual Revenue Previous	Estimated Rev. Ensuing Fiscal Year
From Local Sources:	riscal rear	riscal rear	1/61
Dog Licenses	200.00	240.60	200.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	92.00	20.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,500.00	7,261.46	7,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	1,500.00	4,878.23	2,750.00
Income from Trust Funds	475.00	456.00	450.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds - Revenue Sharing .	10,500.00	2,700.00	15,000.00
Resident Taxes Retained	2,150.00	2,560.00	2,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	3,000.00	3,217.39	4,000.00
Rent of Town Property	20.00	20.00	20.00
Sale of Town Property		0.00	20.00
Income from Departments	25.00	2.00	25.00
Surplus From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	2,500.00	6,006.00	00.000,9
Anti-Recession Fiscal Assistance			135.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$50,798.56	\$50,027.47	\$63,440.00
'Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes			2,587.88
TOTAL REVENUES			\$65,892.88

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Description of Property	Valuation
Land -Improved and Unimproved Buildings Electric Lines Mobile Homes	\$ 419,238.00 1,005,470.00 83,400.00 119,330.00
Total Valuation before Exemptions	\$1,627,438.00
Elderly Exemptions (23 @ \$1,950)	43,950.00
Net Valuation	\$1,583,488.00

ASSESSMENTS

Town Officers Salaries Town Officers Expense Election and Registrati Town Hall and Other E Police Department Fire Department Insurance Legal Fees Dump Health Department: A. Mental Health Services B. Ambulance C. Weeks Memorial Hospital D. Health Officer	on	450.00 200.00 100.00 50.00	\$ 3,710.00 2,000.00 1,000.00 600.00 850.00 1,500.00 600.00 2,000.00	
	_		800.00	
Town Maintenance: A. Summer B. Winter		6,500.00 2,500.00		
			19,000.00	
General Expenses of			0.000.00	
Highway Departmer Street Lighting	ıt		9,000.00 1,200.00	
Town Road Aid			459.21	
Library			300.00	
Town Poor			300.00	
Soldiers Aid			200.00	
Old Age Assistance			2,000.00	
Recreation			300.00	
Cemeteries Register of Deeds			600.00 75.00	
North Country Council			242.00	
Surveying Town Lines			1,500.00	
Town Hall Improvemen			5,000.00	
Emerson Cemetery Imp	rov	ements	2,000.00	
Total Town Appropriat	ion			\$ 56,536.21
Less Total Estimated R & Credits	ever	nues	42,163.21	
Not Town Appropriation				
Net Town Appropriation	71 1		14,372.42	

Net School Appropriation	97,893.93	
County Tax Assessment	6,146.66	
Total of Town, School and County Assessment		118,413.01
Less Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	1,081.00	
Add War Service Tax Credits	2,650.00	
Add Overlay	3,066.96	
Property Taxes to be Raised		\$123,098.97

Tax Rate for 1976 - \$7.80 per \$100.00 valuation

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES 1976

Item	Appropriation	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 3,710,00	\$ 4,860.89	₩	\$ 1,150.89
Town Officers Expenses	2,000.00	2,861.24		861.24
Election & Registrations	1,000.00	1,478.02		478.02
Register of Deeds Transfer Cards	75.00	36.14	38.86	
Town Building Maintenance	900.009	681.18		81.18
Police Department	820.00	954.80		104.80
Fire Expenses	1,500.00	128.08	1,471.92	
Insurance	1,300.00	1,409.25		109.25
Legal Expenses	00.009		00.009	
Health Department	800.00	1,150.00		350.00
Vital Statistics		19.00		19.00

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures — Continued

O O	Jnexpended				
Appropriations Expenditures Ba	Balance	Overdraft			
Dump		2,000.00	2,202.79		202.79
Summer Maintenance		6,500.00	8,425.16		1,925.16
Winter Maintenance		2,500.00	12,727.06		227.06
General Expenses of Highway	:	00.000,6	9,048.92		48.92
Town Road Aid	:	459.21	459.21		
Library	:	300.00	300.00		
Street Lights	:	1,200.00	861.35	338.65	
Town Poor	:	300.00	70.00	230.00	
Soldiers Aid		200.00	144.68	55.32	
Old Age Assistance		2,000.00	1,147.40	852.60	
Bicentennial Celebration		200.00	200.00		
Recreation	:	300.00	220.91	79.09	
Cemeteries	:	1,056.00	1,105.71		49.71
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	:	242.00	474.40		232.40
Town Hall Improvements	:	5,000.00		5,000.00	
Emerson Cemetery Improvements		2,000.00	1,822.30	177.70	

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash: In Hands of Treasurer In Savings Account	\$70,586.50 11,323.55	
TOTAL CASH		\$ 81,910.05
Capital Reserve Funds: Yield Tax Bonds Revenue Sharing Nash Stream Bridge Account	2,919.72 13,179.53 48,178.38	
TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS		64,277.63
Accounts Due To The Town:		
Due From State: Joint Highway Construction Accounts Unexpended Balance in state Treasury In Lieu of Taxes A/C Wht. Mtn. National Forest Other Bills Due To Town: Plowing South Pond Road TOTAL ACCOUNTS DUE TO THE TOWN	3,520.73 9,553.45 10.00	13,084.18
Unredeemed Taxes: (From Tax Sale on Account of) Levy of 1975 Levy of 1974 TOTAL UNREDEEMED TAXES Uncollected Taxes:	1,085.81 748.61	1,834.42
Levy of 1976 Including Resident Taxes	30,615.44	
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED TAXES		30,615.44

GRAND TOTAL (Total Assets)		\$1	91,721.72
Current Surplus, December 31, 1976			22,546.43
Current Surplus, December 31, 1976			27,286.37
Increase of Surplus - Change in Financial Condition		\$	4,739.94
LIABILITIE	ES		
Accounts Owed By Town:			
Bills Outstanding		\$	232.82
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations:			
Tax Maps Surveying town lines	\$ 2,600.00 359.00		
TOTAL UNEXPENDED SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS			2,959.00
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds:			
1973 Approp. Crystal Bridge	857.87		
1973 Approp. Covered Bridge 1974 Approp. Paint Town Hall	373.06 1,180.59		
1974 Approp. Repair Hall Steps	975.68		
1975 Approp. Police Dept. 1975 Approp. Additional Dump	13.00		
Facilities 1976 Approp. Town Hall	2,451.11		
Improvements	5,000.00		
3 Unobligated Funds	2,242.33		
TOTAL UNEXPENDED REVENUE SHARING			13,093.62
Due To State:			
2% Bond and Debt Retirement			
Taxes Uncollected Collected - Not Remitted	100.92 536.23		
			007.45
TOTAL DUE TO STATE			637.15

Yield Tax Deposits	2,919.72
School District Tax Payable	92,893.93
Other Liabilities: Replace Nash Stream Bridge (Town Share)	48,178.38
TOTAL ACCOUNTS OWED BY TOWN	\$160,914.62
State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:	
Unexpended Balance in State Treasury	3,520.73
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$164,435.35
Current Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	27,286.37
GRAND TOTAL	\$191,721.72

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 8,700.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500.00
Police Department Equipment	2,250.00
Fire Department Equipment	400.00
Highway Department, Equipment	11,400.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	15,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Lot in Percy	300.00
Town Dump Lot	300.00
TOTAL	\$45,850.00

1976 REVENUE SHARING FUND

Available Funds January 1, 1976		\$ 9,379.14
Add Revenue: Entitlement Payments Interest	\$ 6,006.00 494.39	
		6,500.39
Total Available Funds		\$15,879.53
Less Expenditures: Operating/Maintenance Expenses: Public Safety (Police Dept.)	737.00	
Capital Expenditures: Environmental Conservation (Dump) Social Development (Cemetery	548.89	
Acquisition)	1,500.00	
Total Expenditures		\$ 2,785.89
Less Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized):		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses: Public Safety (Police Dept. '75)	13.00	
Environmental Conservation (Dump '75)	2,451.11	
Public Transportation (Sandblast Crystal Br.)	857.87	
(Repair & paint covered bridge '73)	373.06	
Total Operating Encumbrances	\$ 3,695.04	
Capital Encumbrances: Town Hall Improvements ('76) Paint Town Hall & Other	5,000.00	
Buildings ('74) Repair Town Hall Steps ('74)	1,180.59 975.68	
Total Capital Encumbrances	\$ 7,156.27	
Total Encumbrances		\$10,851.31

AVAILABLE UNOBLIGATED FUNDS December 31, 1976

\$ 2,242.33

I have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct to the best of my understanding and belief.

Susan H. Wyman

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1975 Auto Permits Issued in 1976 1976 Auto Permits Issued	\$ 182.57 7,078.89
Total Remittance To Treasurer	\$ 7,261.46
DOG LICENSES	
Dog Licenses Issued and Penalties Collected Less Fees Retained	\$ 259.00 18.40
Total Remittance to Treasurer	\$ 240.60
Filing Fees To Town	6.00

DORIS STEARNS Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1976

Debits

Taxes Committed to Collector Property Resident Yield	\$121,173.28 2,370.00 3,822.91
Added Taxes Property Resident	511.87 120.00
Overpayments a/c Property Taxes	53.29
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	18.00
Total Debits	\$128,069.35
Credits	
Remittances to Treasurer Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes Resident Tax Penalties	89,115.51 1,960.00 3,217.39 18.00
Discounts Allowed	1,388.62
Tax Abatements Property Resident	1,029.02 110.00
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976 Property Resident Yield	30,205.44 410.00 605.52
Collected - unremitted Residence Tax	10.00
Total Credits	\$128,069.50

Levy of 1975

Debits

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1976 Property Resident Yield	\$19,793.45 660.00 1,542.65	
Added Taxes Property Resident	41.28 20.00	
Collected - unremitted Resident Tax	10.00	
Interest collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	1,015.01	
Resident Tax Penalties Collected	59.00	
Total Debits	\$23,141.39	
Credits		
Remittances to Treasurer - fiscal 1976 Property Taxes Resident Taxes Interest Penalties	19,669.10 600.00 1,015.01 59.00	
Tax Abatements Property Resident	156.83 90.00	
Discounts Allowed	8.75	
Uncollected Yield Taxes	1,542.65	
Total Credits	\$23,141.34	
Levy of 1974		
Debits		
Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1976 Property	\$ 2,161.13	
Interest Collected	149.29	

Total Debits	\$ 2,310.42
Credits	
Remitted to Treasurer - fiscal 1976 Property Taxes Interest	\$ 1,412.54 149.29
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976	748.61
Total Credits	\$ 2.310.44

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

DEBITS

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:			
	1975	1974	1973	Prev. Yrs.
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of Jan. 1, '76		\$2,161.13	\$ 324.40	
Taxes Sold to Town Dur, Cur. Fis. Yr.	3,657.36			
Int. Col. After Sale	26.32	149.29	72.00	
Redemption Costs	3.73			
Total Debits	\$3,687.41	\$2,310.42	\$396.40	
	CREDITS	5		
Remittances to Treasur During Year:	rer			
Redemptions Int. & Costs After	\$2,571.58	\$1,412.54	\$ 324.40	
Sale	30.05	149.29	72.00	
Unredeemed Taxes - Dec. 31, 1976	1,085.81	748.61		
Total Credits	\$3,687.44	\$2,310.44	\$ 396.40	

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES

AS OF JANUARY 1, 1977

Anderson, Earl Barlow, Richard and Marcella Baril, Ronald and Alice Belanger, Edmond & Diane Belanger, Roger & Kathleen Bernard, Reil & Leah Pare Berry, Albert & Dorothy Bicknell, Rosco III & Helen Boivin, Norman Boivin, Ronald & Corine Bostwick, Thomas Clair, Alfred & Mildred Cook Association Cookson, Wesley & Joy Cordwell, Eugene & Sarah		\$ 46.80 163.80 486.72 299.52 585.00 205.92 28.08 112.32 93.60 514.80 163.80 290.16 187.20 174.64 3.74
Cote, Maurice J. Couture, Leo & Pauline Croteau, Lionel & Doris DeBlois, Richard & Margaret Demers, Bruce & Leona Donovan, Joseph & Margaret Drouin, Arnold & Dolores	Balance	145.13 347.80* 228.00* 318.24 365.04 371.20* 187.20
Dupuis, Randall & Carol Dyer, Chris & Florence Emery, Winston	Balance	303.52 187.20* 88.45
Emery, Winston & Potter, Kathleen Faulkinham, Reginald & Evelyn	Balance	6.62 389.92
Fessenden, Gerald & Beverly Fitzgerald, Joseph & Rose	Balance	97.80 234.00
Germaine, Beatrice Gibson, Chandis Gibson, James & Judy (Hanson, Conrad) Perry, Wilfred & Ethel Hedburg, William & Gloria Higgins, William & Margery Hodgkins, Alice Hopps, Harry Johnson, Kenneth & Priscilla Jewell, Lawrence & Alice Johnson, Ernest & Dorothy Kidder, Robert King, Raymond Kluchnick, Luther Knapp, Maynard & Bonnie	Balance Balance	538.20 304.20 725.40 145.08 182.52* 247.80 221.58 224.64 464.80 941.62 329.08 85.18 177.84 160.60 570.96

		440.40
Lamott, George		140.40
Lawrence, Robert & Margaret	Balance	400.13
Lunn, Ronald		351.00*
Martineau, Emile	Balance	50.00
McLain, Dr. Almon		210.60*
Mickelboro, John		70.20
Mickelboro, Tyrone & Sandra	Balance	36.52*
Nielson, Niel		93.60
Oakes, Kenneth & Mary		556.92
Paradis, William		56.16
Peel, David		745.60
Perry, Earnest	Balance	445.78*
Pickette, Donald		248.98
Potter, Carl & Gloria		787.72
Potter, Norman E.		234.06
Pratt, Raymond		257.40
Public Service Co. of N. H.		6,505.20*
Picci, Richard A.		93.60*
Robert, Paul & Pauline		514.80*
Rogers, Wayne & Carol		491.40*
Rogers, Murray & Janice		418.00
Rolfe, Robert & Ruby		257.40
Saad, Harold G.		257.40*
Seminatore, Gerald S.		661.36
Shannon, Ida		681,41
Shannon, Joe		93.60
Simino, Rollin & Louise		263.56
Steady, Gordon G.		237.74
Styles, William Estate		173.16
Styles, R. & D., & Mayhew, William		327.60
Sullivan, Laurel		280.80
Tilly, Joel		292,34
Turgeon, Aduion & Annette		93.60
Tuttle, Arthur & Beatrice	Balance	297.80
Vinyard, Don	24.4.100	262.08
Wdowiak, Henry & Lucille		210.60*
Wentworth, Barry & Linda		230.80
Wentworth, Clark & Judy		558.40
Wentworth, Glen & Lucille		297.18
Wood, Garnet & Donna		74.88*
Trood, Surfice & Bornia	_	

\$30,205.32

UNCOLLECTED RESIDENT TAXES

DECEMBER 31, 1976

Bussewitz, Robert Couture, Leo & Pauline Demers, Bruce & Leona Donovan, Joseph & Margaret Donovan, Robert Evans, August & Linda Hand, Doris & Frederick Hand, Larry Hand, Raymond Hand, Wayne Hickey, Joseph & Jane Higgins, William & Margery Johnson, Kenneth & Priscilla Morrison, Clifford & Hazel Rogers, Wayne & Carol Rogers, Murray & Janice Rogers, Murray & Janice Rogers, Murray R. Rolfe, Robert J. & Paula Rolfe, Robert & Ruby Rolfe, Pamela (abated) Shannon, Joe & Sylvia Swift, Michael & Brenda Vinyard, Kenyon & Marie Vinyard, Don Wentworth, Barry & Linda	\$ 10.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 10.00 20.00 10.00 10.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00	\$ 1.00* 2.00 2.00 1.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00
Total Uncollected	\$ 420.00	\$42.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND:

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1975	\$ 73,370.06
Total Receipts to Treasurer	154,290.89

Balance in Bank, Dec. 31, 1976 Deposits Not Credited	\$62,708.04 11,921.72
Less O/S Checks	\$74,629.76 4,043.26
	\$70,586.50

Total Cash on Hand, December 31, 1976 \$ 70,586.50

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Savings Account in People's National Bank of Groveton:

90-Day Notice Account Balance January 1, 1976 Interest Accrued	\$10,868.94 454.61
Balance in Bank, Dec. 31, 1976	\$11,323.55

Revenue Sharing Savings Account in People's Nat'l Bank of Groveton:

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1976	\$ 9,379.14
Interest Accrued	494.39
Deposits	6,006.00
Less Withdrawals	2,700.00
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1976	\$13,179.53

Timber Tax Savings Account in People's Nat'l Bank of Groveton:

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1976	\$ 1,981.87
Interest Accrued	82.85
Deposits	855.00
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1976	\$ 2,919.72

90-Day Notice Account in Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank:

> DORIS STEARNS, Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1976 \$ 73,350,16 Current Revenue: From Local Taxes (Collected and Remitted to Treasurer) \$120,569.91 From State 22,394.68 From Local Sources other than taxes 8,130.06 **Total Current Revenue Receipts** \$151,094.65 From Other Sources: Refunds 375.14 Sale of Town Property 6.00 Withdrawal - Revenue Sharing Fund 2,700.00 Grants from Federal Government 135.00 Total Receipts from other sources: 3,216,14

\$227,660.95

Total Receipts From All Sources

1976 SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government: Town Officers Salaries Town Officers Expenses Election & Registration Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs. Register of Deeds for Transfer Cards	\$ 4,860.89 2,861.24 1,478.02 681.18
Protection of Persons & Property: Police Department Fire Protection Insurance	954.80 128.08 1,409.25
Health: Health Department including Hospital & Ambul. Vital Statistics Town Dump	1,150.00 19.00 2,202.79
Highways and Bridges: Street Lighting Town Maintenance	861.35
Summer (\$ 8,425.16) Winter (\$12,727.06)	21,152.22
General Expenses of Highway Department	9,048.92
Class V Maintenance (road sealing) Town Road Aid	6,000.00 459.21
Libraries:	300.00
Public Welfare: Old Age Assistance Town Poor	1,147.40 70.00
Patriotic Purposes: Celebrations Soldiers Aid	500.00 144.68
Recreation:	220.91

Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries	1,105.71	
Unclassified:		
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	474.40	
Taxes Bought by Town	3,657.36	
Discounts, Abatements, Refunds	278.59	
Surveying Town Lines	1,141.00	
New Construction and Improvements: Emerson Cemetery	1,822.30	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$ 64,165.44
Payments to Other Government Divisions:		
State, County	7,148.99	
School District	85,760.02	
Total Payments to Other		
Government Divisions		\$ 92,909.01
Total Daymants for all Door		 457.074.45
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$ 157,074.45

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1976

\$ 73,350.16

Received From Local Taxes Collected & Remitted by Tax Collector

Current Year:	
Property Taxes	\$89,115.51
Resident Taxes	1,960.00
Yield Taxes	3,217,39
Resident Tax Penalties	18.00
Overpayments	16.84
Total Current Years Taxes	
Remitted	\$94,327.74
Previous Years:	
Property Taxes	16,428.14
Resident Taxes	600.00
Redeemed Taxes	4,298.19
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,335.55
Resident Tax Penalties	59.00
Overpayments	32.20
Tax Sale	3,211.36
Costs of Tax Sales	277.73
Total Previous Years Taxes	
Remitted	\$26,242.17

Total Revenue From Local Sources

\$120,569.91

Received From State Remitted by State Treasurer

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 712.81
Railroad Tax	100.30
Savings Bank Tax	82.57
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,630.60
Highway Subsidy	6,007.54
Reimbursement Forest Fire Bills	63.22
Reimbursement A/C Business Profits	
Tax	1,031.20
Class V Maintenance (Duncan Fund)	6,872.48
For Heavily Timbered Towns	2,158.51
In Lieu of Tax for Wt. Mtn. Nat'l For	2,735.45

Total Revenue From State

\$ 22,394.68

Received From Local Sources Except Taxes

Dog Licenses:		
Town Clerk	\$	240.60
Pistol Permits: Joseph Donovan John Emery Norman E. Potter Raymond Moulton Norman Potter Henry Gonyer Magloire Madore Joel Tilley Thomas Hettinger Mary Fleury Lawrence Parks	\$	2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00
Ronald Lunn		2.00
	\$	24.00
Filing Fees: Town Clerk David Peel II Lee Coulombe & Don Riendeau Richard Whipple Realty Albert Cloutier	\$ - \$	3.00 10.00 25.00 10.00 25.00 73.00
Rent of Town Property:		
Marilyn Cass Linda Hart Gerard Hand Ruby Rolfe	\$ 	20.00 20.00 20.00 10.00
Income From Trust Funds:		
Berlin City Bank Gorham Savings Bank	\$	338.00 28.00
Peoples National Bank of Groveton		90.00
	\$	456.00
	Ψ	100.00

Income From Departments:

Raymond Bergeron \$ 5.00

Registration of Motor Vehicles:

Town Clerk 7,261.46

TOTAL REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES

\$ 8,130.06

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue

Refunds:

State Treasurer:

A/C Overpayment of 1975

B & D Retirement Tax \$ 4.14

George M. Stevens & Son Co.,

return premiums 371.00

Total Refunds \$ 375.14

Eleanor Stevens, cemetery lot U. S. Treasury, anti-recessional Withdrawal Revenue Sharing Fund

135.00 2,700.00

6.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE

\$ 3,216.14

TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES

\$227,660.95

1976 DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

John Emery Chairman, Selectmen		
& Bookkeeper	\$	550.00
Ray Frizzell, Selectman		450.00
Frederick Benway, Selectman		350.00
Doris Stearns, Clerk		200.00
Doris Stearns, Treasurer		150.00
Susan Wyman, Auditor		50.00
Electa Osgood, Tax Collector	;	3,110.89

\$ 4,860.89

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Warren A. Bartlett, Registrar of		
Deeds, transfer cards	\$	36.14
David Peel, phone, mileage, postage		19.70
Frederick Benway, meals, phone,		
mileage, meetings		185.62
Ray Frizzell, meals, phone, mileage,		
meetings		184.00
John Emery, postage, phone, mileage,		
meetings		556,67
Doris Stearns, phone, mileage, fees		643.28
Electa Osgood, meals, phone,		
mileage, meetings		277.27
Cecil Tisdale, Planning Board		
postage		13.00
Warren A. Bartlett, Register of		
Deeds, redemption clips		26.77
North Country Publishing Co.,		
meeting & hearing notices		24.75
The Berlin Reporter, meeting notice		10.00
Internal Revenue Service, late	•	
filing penalty		2.23
Treasurer, State of N. H., penalty,		
late setting '75 tax rate		80.00
Homestead Press, tax bills, envelopes		44.83
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., office		
supplies and forms		238.81
Sentinel Printing Co., Inc., deed		
forms		3.10
Branham Printing Co., Inc., auto		
permit forms		12.85

Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	24.76
Office Products of Berlin, adding machine repairs	13.60
Treasurer, State of N. H., Assessors Manual	20.00
N. H. Municipal Association,	
Officers Handbook	50.00
Equity Publishing Co, set R.S.A.	
Law Volumes	205.00
N. H. Municipal Association,	
1976 Dues	200.00
N. H. City & Town Clerk's Associa-	
tion, 1976 Dues	10.00
N. H. Local Welfare Administration	
Association, 1976 Dues	5.00
N. H. Association of Assessing	
Officials, 1977 dues	10.00

\$ 2,897.38

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Presidential Primary February 24, 1976:

Raynold Daley, Moderator \$	12.00
Doris Stearns, Clerk	12.00
Margaret Frizzell, Ballot Clerk	12.00
Juanita Benway, Ballot Clerk	12.00
Donald Croteau, Constable	12.00
David Peel, Selectman	12.00
John Emery, Selectman	12.00
Ray Frizzell, Selectman	12.00
Emma Miles, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
Emma Miles, making out checklists	10.00
Frances Pepau, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
Beatrice Tuttle, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
North Country Publishing Co.,	
ballots	24.75
North Country Publishing Co.,	
supervisors warnings	15.00
The Berlin Reporter, supervisors	
warnings	10.00
\$ 1	97.75

Town Mosting March 2 1976	
Raynold Daley, Moderator Doris Stearns, Clerk Margaret Frizzell, Ballot Clerk Juanita Benway, Ballot Clerk Donald Croteau, Constable David Peel, Selectman John Emery, Selectman Ray Frizzell, Selectman Emma Miles, two supervisors sessions Beatrice Tuttle, two supervisors sessions Beatrice Tuttle, making out checklists North Country Publishing Co., supervisors warnings Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., checklist forms & voter registr. cards M/S Printing & Advertising, 300 town reports North Country Publishing Co., clerks warnings The Berlin Reporter, selectmen's warnings Doris Stearns, ballots	\$ 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00 14.00 14.00 15.00 23.72 571.20 7.50 15.15 2.50
Recount March 11, 1976 Raynold Daley, Moderator Doris Stearns, Clerk John Emery, Selectman Ray Frizzell, Selectman	\$ 12.00 12.00 12.00 12.00
	\$ 48.00
Change of Party Sessions June 12, 19 Emma Miles, two supervisors	14.00
sessions Beatrice Tuttle, two supervisors	\$ 14.00
sessions Frances Pepau, two supervisors	14.00
sessions Frances Pepau, making out	14.00
checklists	10.00

North Country Publishing Co.,	
supervisors warnings	9.90
	\$ 61.90
Gubernatorial Primary Sept. 14, 1976	
Raynold Daley, Moderator	\$ 12.00
Doris Stearns, Clerk	12.00
Margaret Frizzell, Ballot Clerk	12.00
Juanita Benway, Ballot Clerk	12.00
Emma Miles, Supervisor of the	
Checklist	12.00
Frances Pepau, Supervisor of the	
Checklist	12.00
Beatrice Tuttle, Supervisor of the	
Checklist	12.00
John Emery, Selectman	12.00
Ray Frizzell, Selectman	12.00
Frederick Benway, Selectman	12.00
Emma Miles, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
Emma Miles, making out checklists	10.00
Frances Pepau, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
Beatrice Tuttle, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00
The Berlin Reporter, supervisors	
warnings	7.50
North Country Publishing Co.,	
supervisors warnings	9.90
Supervisors warmings	
	\$ 189.40
General Election November 2, 1976	
Raynold Daley, Moderator	\$ 15.00
Doris Stearns, Clerk	15.00
Margaret Frizzell, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Juanita Benway, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Frances Pepau, Supervisor of the	
Checklist	15.00
Beatrice Tuttle, Supervisor of the	
Checklist	15.00
Donald Croteau, Constable	15.00
John Emery, Selectman	15.00
Ray Frizzell, Selectman	15.00
Frederick Benway, Selectman	15.00
Frances Pepau, two supervisors	
sessions	14.00

Beatrice Tuttle, two supervisors		
sessions	14.00	
Beatrice Tuttle, making out		
checklists	10.00	
North Country Publishing Co.,		
supervisors warnings	9.90	
	\$ 197.90	
		\$ 1,478.02

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Public Service - Lancaster, light	hts for \$ 95.67	
Groveton Oil Co., gas for libra	arv 185.50	
Ryans Fuel Service, Inc., fuel		
for hall	242.30	
Groveton Oil Co., gas for hall	31.00	
Emerson & Son, supplies for		
maintenance	92.78	
Raynold Daley, repairs to Lib	orary 15.18	
The Berlin Reporter, sealed b		
for hall improvements	8.75	
Inland Divers, recharge hall		
extinguisher	5.00	
John Pepau, repairs on hall fu	rnace 5.00	
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		\$ 681.18

POLICE

Donald Croteau, salary & expenses Ronald Boivin, labor	\$ 750.00 12.00	
Harley Mason, labor	12.00	
Francis Hopps, Jr., labor & mileage J. B. Simmons, Inc., uniforms	44.00	
and badges	136.80	
	 	
		\$ 954.80

FOREST FIRE

Kenneth Oakes, training meeting,	
mileage	\$ 22.70
Bruce Demers, training meeting	17.00
Barry Wentworth, training meeting	17.00

John Emery, training meeting, mileage Cecil Tisdale, training meeting Ronald Lunn, training meeting Kenneth Oakes, dump fire John Emery, dump fire Cecil Tisdale, dump fire		19.80 17.00 17.00 3.98 6.80 6.80	\$ 128.08
INSURANC	E		
George M. Stevens & Son Co., Workmens Compensation Officers Bond Police Radio Insurance Burns Insurance Agency, Liability insurance	\$	882.00 243.00 42.00 242.25	
			\$ 1,409.25
HEALTH DEPAR	ГМЕ	NT	
Weeks Memorial Hospital, donation '75 appropriation Town of Northumberland, ambulance '75 appropriation Robert I. Hinkley, M.D., health officer '75 appropriation Upper Conn. Valley Mental Health, donation '75 appropriation Weeks Memorial Hospital, donation '76 appropriation Town of Northumberland, ambulance '76 appropriation Robert I. Hinkley, M.D., health officer '76 appropriation	\$	100.00 200.00 50.00 450.00 100.00 200.00 50.00	\$ 1,150.00
VITAL STATIS	TIC	:S	
Doris Stearns, recording fees	\$	19.00	

\$

19.00

TOWN DUMP

Wentworth Enterprises, dump maintenance	\$ 1,000.00
Wentworth Enterprises, dump custodian	210.50
custodian	212.50
Glen Wentworth, dump custodian	112.50
Stark General Store, lock	2.79
Magloire Madore, dump custodian	845.00
Colin F. Sutherland, map	30.00

\$ 2,202.79

STREET LIGHTING

Public Service, Berlin, Crystal street lights	\$ 191.69
Public Service, Lancaster, Stark, Percy & bridge lights	 861.35

\$ 861.35

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Summer Maintenance:

Carl Potter, Foreman	\$	447.00
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Richard DeBlois, operator		580.98
Neil Parks, operator		147.00
Thomas Covell, Operator		247.33
Philip Croteau, operator		775.80
Maurice Forbush, laborer		256.85
Dave Peel II, operator		71.75
John Mickelboro, laborer		85.40
Carl Potter, equipment	3	3,009.35
Philip Croteau, equipment	2	2,501.00
Dave Peel II, equipment		181.50
Internal Revenue Service,		
withholding tax		121.20
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	P C	3,425.16

Winter Maintenance:

Carl Potter, Foreman	\$ 649.85
Richard DeBlois, operator	2,050.78
Neil Parks, operator	1,020.36
Wayne McLain, operator	253.25
Thomas Covell, operator	101.05

Philip Croteau, operator Robert Rolfe, helper Harley Mason, helper Norman E. Potter, helper Carl Potter, equipment Philip Croteau, equipment Berlin City Bank, withholding tax deposit Internal Revenue Service, withholding tax	22.75 19.20 12.00 5.50 8,144.75 66.50 282.40 98.67
	\$12,727.06
General Expenses:	
Public Service, Lancaster, pit light Vinyard's Shop, road signs International Salt Company,	\$ 130.16 136.50
road salt Pike Industries, Inc., cold patch Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Inc.,	986.30 3, 5 03.76
chloride	940.00
Lawrence Sangravco, Inc., winter sand	1,816.93
Lawrence Sangravco, Inc., gravel Emerson & Son, Inc., lumber,	227.96
paint, etc. Isaacson Structural Steel, bridge	200.62
railings	214,20
Philip Croteau, bridge repairs	98.40
Perras Lumber, bridge railings	51.20
David Peel, cedar posts Roberta Baird, maintenance,	37.50
Goodwin Road	389.84
R. C. Hazelton, Co., plow pump	280.00
Ross Express, Inc., freight charge	8.00
Kelley's Auto Supply, hoses Stark General Store, V-Belts	18.60 8.95
	\$ 9,048.92
Class V Maintenance:	
Nugent Motor Company, sealing	
Percy & Emerson Roads	\$ 6,000.00
	\$ 6,000.00

Town Road Aid		
Treasurer, State of N. H., '76 appropriation	\$ 459.21	
	\$ 459.21	\$36,660.35
LIBRAR	Y	
Library Trustees, '76 appropriation	\$ 300.00	
		\$ 300.00
PUBLIC WELF	ARE	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, old age assistance	\$ 1,147.40	
S & W Market, Elaine Bourassa account	70.00	
		\$ 1,217.40
PATRIOTIC PUF	RPOSES	
Stark Improvement Fund, National Bicentennial Celebration (Article 12 '75 warrant) Soldiers Aid	\$ 500.00 144.68	
		\$ 644.68
RECREATI	ON	
Cub Scout Pack 232, '76 approp. Jolly Piloteers, 4-H Club,	\$ 100.00	
'76 appropriation Emerson & Son, baseball equipment	100.00 20.91	
		\$ 220.91
CEMETERIES		
Stark General Store, gas, oil v-belts Emerson & Son, Inc., paint, mower parts Ames, lawn mower David Peel, cedar Posts	\$ 19.18 58.76 89.99 45.00	

Philip Croteau, gas, oil, repairs	41.38
Harley Mason, labor	91.80
Frederick Benway, Jr., labor	86.70
Kenneth Zimmerman, labor	75.70
Donald Hand, labor	51.60
Michael Simino, labor	44.60
Robin Simino, labor	36.00
Internal Revenue Service,	
withholding tax	9.00
Harold Jenkins, labor & materials	456.00

\$ 1,105.71

UNCLASSIFIED

Albert Theriault, '75 tax	
abatement	\$ 113.91
Henry & Alice Brien, '75 tax	
abatement	51.28
Lionel & Doris Croteau, '75 tax	
refund	19.34
John Zimmerman, '75 tax refund	30.96
Donat Gallant, '75 tax refund	15.88
Electa Osgood, '76 overpayment	17.43
Harley Mason, '76 abatement	29.79
Electa Osgood, Sale of 1975 taxes	3,657.36
North Country Publishing Co.,	
advertising	182.40
The Berlin Reporter, advertising	30.00
North Country Council, Inc.,	
'76 appropriation	242.00
N. H. Tax Collector's Association,	
'76 dues	20.00
Winston E, Emery, surveying town	
slines	1,141.00

\$ 5,551.35

EMERSON CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT

Carl Potter, equipment	\$	835.80
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Carl Potter, labor		
Thomas Covell, labor		60.00
Richard DeBlois,labor		60.00
Wayne McLain, labor		60.00
Carl Potter, worked loam		748.00

\$ 1,822.30

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS

Treasurer, State of N. H., boat reports	\$ 2.07	
Treasurer, County of Coos, county tax Treasurer, State of N. H., 1975	6,146.66	
bond and debt retire. Treasurer, Stark School District.	1,000.26	
appropriations	85,760.02	_
		\$ 92,909.01
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES		\$157 074 45

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

0.14.0	\$ 514.00
Carl A. Potter, Foreman	+ +
Carl A. Potter, Trucks	2,182.65
Carl A. Potter, Dozer	55.00
Carl A. Potter, Loader	594.40
Carl A. Potter, Backhoe	354.65
Philip Croteau, Grader	2,289.50
Philip A. Croteau, Operator	714.75
Philip Croteau, Tractor mowing	264.00
Richard DeBlois, Operator	615.38
Neil Parks, Helper	149.10
David Peel II, Operator	72.25
David Peel II, Mower	137.50
Thomas Covell, Operator	254.13
Maurice Forbush, Helper	278.60
John Mickelboro, Helper	90.10
	\$ 8 556.01

WINTER MAINTENANCE

\$ 696.50
6,853.85
924.80
185.00
2,034.58
1,199.16
261.75
101.75
5.50
 19.20
\$

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Town of Stark for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1976 and find them essentially correct. Any errors have been duly noted and reported to the respective officers.

This is to report, in general, on the condition in which I found the Town's records. The Town Clerk's books and papers were very well kept as were the Town Treasurer's book. The Selectmen's book and vouchers kept by the head selectman were also excellent. The Road Agent's payroll should have been more carefully checked. There were some errors therein. The Tax Collector's were essentially correct except for errors in the warrants made out by selectmen and minor errors. But they were very difficult to follow due to inconsistencies and messiness. All other accounts were in good form. For the first year, the Revenue Sharing Account has been entered in an accounting book so it can be understood.

dated: February, 1977

SUSAN H. WYMAN

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STARK, N. H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1976

Date of Creation	Date Name & Purpose of of Creation Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Balance End Year
12-29-65	12-29-65 Albert Emery	People's Nat'l Bank	\$ 200.00	₩	\$ 200.00	\$ 105.83	\$ 15.58	↔	\$ 121.41
1-22-55	Cemetery Lot 1-22-55 Seth Cole	03-51975-9-20 People's Nat'l Bank	1,000.00		1,000.00	40.22	53.65	75.00	18.87
3-22-21	Cemetery Lot Charles Emery	03-51977-5-20 People's Nat'l Bank	46.13		46.13	3.72	2.93		6.65
8-10-59	Cemetery Lot 8-10-59 Maude Sanderson	03-51978-3-20 People's Nat'l Bank	200.00		200.00	8.08	10.79	15.00	3.87
2-23-43	Cemetery Lot Lois A. Fisk	03-51976-7-20 Gorham Sav. Bank	100.00		100.00	7.47	5.81	10.00	3.28
9-17-46	Cemetery Lot 9-17-46 Stella A. Lunn Cole	173-7 Gorham Sav. Bank	200.00		200.00		10.90	10.00	.90
5-18-21	Cemetery Lot 5-18-21 George M. Smith	223-7 Gorham Sav. Bank	100.00		100.00	4.36	5.65	8.00	2.01
3-17-34	Cemetery Lot 3-17-34 Solomon D. Cole Cemetery Lot	58-7 Berlin City Bank 4911-6	20.00		20.00	4.39	2.84	2.00	2.23

3.79	2.40	6.73	15.46	2.49	5.52	4.72	83.81	6.61	2.94		\$ 293.69
18.00	30.00	00.09	75.00	10.00	30.00	20.00		20.00	15.00	9.40	\$ 440.40
11.85	19.26	52.57	56.75	3.77	14.01	14.95	9.57	13.49	10.64	9.40	\$ 324.41
9.94	13.14	14.16	33.71	8.72	21.51	39.77	74.24	13.12	7.30		\$ 409.68
220.31	334.28	1,007.52	1,069.46	50.00 105.94	250.00	250.00	112.22	250.00	200.00		50.00 \$5,695.86
220.31	334.28	1,007.52	1,069.46	55.94	250.00	250.00	112.22	250.00	200.00	ig Stock	\$5,645.86
Berlin City Bank	Berlin City Bank	ш,	`	. — .	. — .	S0349-5 Berlin City Bank	Berlin City Bank	Berlin City Bank	33040-1 Berlin City Bank 33362-1	Maude & Maude S. Kaemmerling Stock	
3-17-34 Katherine Holmes	5-22-42 Eldon S. Cole	12-11-53 Maude S. Kaemmerling	2-24-59 Sarah Maude Kaemmerling	9- 9-64 Sarens P. Farwell	10-10-66 Eldora A. Pike	10-10-66 Kate L. Osgood	Cemetery Lot 12-19-63 Amos & Jennie Emery	G- 9-71 Alfred L. Smith	Cemetery Lot 11-17-71 Riley S. Lunn Cemetery Lot	Dividends on Sarah Maude &	

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

I found the foregoing account correct to the best of my knowledge.

SUSAN H. WYMAN, Auditor

HAROLD L. JENKINS

Jan. 5, 1977 6 6

LIBRARY REPORT

Balance as of	\$ 255.35			
Payments: 5/27/77	N. H. State Library,			
8/31/77	lost book Office Products of	\$	5.90	
0/31/77	Berlin, supplies		2.58	
11/11/77	11/11/77 Jeannette Gagne, postage 11/11/77 Jeannette Gagne, salary		2.83	
11/11/77			125.00	
			136.31	
Receipts:				
12/30/76	Town Appropriation Balance on Hand	\$	300.00 255.35	
		\$	555.35	
	Payments		136.31	
Balance as of	December 31, 1977			\$ 419.04

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

This year our department answered a total of 93 complaints which involved a total of 153 hours. This is an increase of 19 from last year. The increases were in traffic accidents, dog complaints, breaking and entering, and vandelism.

In July, by request of the Selectmen, three new "Police Specials" were appointed to the Stark Police Department. They were as follows: Ronald Boivin, Francis Hopps, Jr., and Harley Mason, Jr.

Our department had coverage of the Fiddlers Contest with assistance from the Coos County Sheriff's Department. About 2,500 people attended this event.

We were on duty for the visit of the Annual Foliage Train Excursion. There were over 1,000 passengers and the stopover was extended to one hour this year.

I wish to thank all those who cooperated with us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD J. CROTEAU Chief of Police Stark, N. H.

Special Officers:

William L. Joyce, Jr. Ronald Boivin Francis Hopps, Jr. Carl Potter Lawrence Parks Magloire Madore (dump only)

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND

TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 Forest Fire Statistics

		No of Fires	No. of Acres
	State	746	294
>	District	11	7
	Town	0	0

BURNHAM A. JUDD	KENNETH OAKES
District Fire Chief	Forest Fire Warden

SCHOOL REPORT

REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF THE

TOWN OF STARK

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING

JUNE 30, 1976

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Stark, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in Stark Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, March 8, 1977, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The polls will be open at said place and date from 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the reception of your ballots under the non-partisan ballot system.

 To choose by non-partisan ballot the following district officers for the ensuing year; a moderator, a district clerk, a district treasurer, one auditor, and one member of the board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at Stark this 18th day of February 1977.

JEANNETTE GAGNE LEONA DEMERS CECIL TISDALE School Board

A True Copy of Warrant - Attest

JEANNETTE GAGNE LEONA DEMERS CECIL TISDALE School Board

SCHOOL WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Stark, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in Stark Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, March 8, 1977, at 3:15 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The matters of appropriations and such other business properly coming before said meeting will be taken up for your consideration and action.

- 1. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 2. To see if the district will vote to accept the provisions of Title I, Public Law 89-10 (Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965), and to appropriate such funds as may be made available to the district under said Federal Act for such particular projects as may be determined by the School Board. Further, to see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such projects as it may designate.
- 3. To see if the district will vote to accept the provisions of Title III, Public Law 89-10 (Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965), and to appropriate such funds as may be made available to the district under said Federal Act for such particular projects as may be determined by the school board. Further, to see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such projects as it may designate.
- 4. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for, to receive and expend in the name of the district, such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the U. S. Government and/or State Agencies.
- To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1200 for the support of the School Lunch Program.

- To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District.
- 7. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Stark this 18th day of February, 1977.

JEANNETTE GAGNE LEONA DEMERS CECIL TISDALE School Board

A True Copy of Warrant - Attest:

JEANNETTE GAGNE LEONA DEMERS CECIL TISDALE School Board

(Suggest Motion to follow for Article 6)

I move that the district raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the district the sum of \$130,089,00.

ORGANIZATION

Term Expires

Mrs. Jeannette Gagne, Chairman School Board	1977
Mrs. Leona Demers, School Board Member	1978
Mr. Cecil Tisdale, School Board Member	1979
Mrs. Margaret Erizzell Transurer	

Mrs. Margaret Frizzell, Treasurer

Mrs. Doris Stearns, Clerk Mrs. Lillian Gilman, Auditor

Mr. Donald Croteau, Truant Officer Mr. Raymond Daley, Moderator

Mr. Alan E. Rich, Superintendent of Schools

Board Meetings are held on call of Chairman

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1975		\$ 1	,413.08
Received from Selectmen Current Appropriation Balance of Previous Approp. Revenue from State Sources Revenue from Federal Sources	\$58,969.90 10,000.00 13,152.50 3,551.57		
Received from all Other Sources	557.04		
		86	,231.01
Total amount available for fiscal year			,644.09
Less School Board Orders Paid		87	,598.21
Balance on Hand June 30, 1976		\$	45.88

MARGARET FRIZZELL
District Treasurer

August 5, 1976

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Stark of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and find them correct in all respects.

LILLIAN GILMAN Auditor

August 25, 1976

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Date	From Whom and Source	Amount
1975		
July 1 Aug. 7	Balance on Hand Supervisory Union No. 58, Refund	\$ 1,413.08
Sept. 8	FY 74 Balance N.H. State Treasurer, June '75 Fed. Reimb.	553.04 634.35
Sept. 8	N.H. State Treasurer, Sept. '75 Fed. Reimb. Adv. pymt.	228.38
Sept. 22 Oct. 6	N.H. State Treasurer, Sweepstakes N.H. State Treasurer, ½ Foundation	2,619.31
Oct. 21	Aid 75-76 N.H. State Treasurer, Oct. '75 Fed.	4,856.08
Nov. 21	Reimb. Adv. Paymt. N.H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb.	324.01
Nov. 21	Proj. 5936.1 N.H. State Treasurer, Nov. '75 Fed.	19.92
Nov. 26	Reimb. Adv. Paymt. Northumberland School District,	281.77
D 0	Incentive Aid	750.67
Dec. 9 Dec. 17	Town of Stark, N. H Appropriation N.H. State Treasurer, Dec. '75 Fed.	5,000.00
	Reimb. Adv. Paymt.	223.77
1976		
Jan. 2 Jan. 23	Town of Stark, N. H Appropriation N. H. State Treasurer, National	5,000.00
Jan. 23	Forest Reserve N. H. State Treasurer, Balance State	46.76
Jan. 23	Foundation Aid N. H. State Treasurer, Jan. '76 Fed.	4,856.08
Feb. 6	Reimb. Adv. Paymt. N. H. State Treasurer, Sept. '75 Fed.	314.92
Feb. 11	Reimb. Actual Paymt. Town of Stark Selectmen - approp.	132.43 29,469.90
Mar. 1 Mar. 1	Town of Stark, Four filing fees N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb.	4.00
iviai. i	Feb. adv. OctNov. adj.	232.32
Mar. 15 Mar. 25	Town of Stark, N. H Appropriation N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb.	5,000.00
Mar. 25	Nov. act. paymt. N. H. State Treasurer, Mar. '76 Adv.	116.34
	Paymt. Fed. Reimb.	383.30

Mar. 25	N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb. Oct. '75 Adj.	22.66
Mar. 31	N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb. Dec.	
	'75 Act. Paymt.	171.71
Apr. 22	Town of Stark, Selectmen - approp.	3,000.00
May 12	Town of Stark, Selectmen - approp.	8,000.00
June 3	N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb. Apr. 76 Adv. paymt., Feb. '76	
	Adv. paymt.	250.94
July 14	N. H. State Treasurer, Fed. Reimb.	
	Apr. actual	238.35
July 14	Town of Stark, Selectmen - approp.	13,500.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$87,644.09

FINANCIAL REPORT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

RECEIPTS

Taxation and Appropriations Received: Current Appropriation Balance Due on Previous Appropriation	\$58,969.90 10,000.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources:	557.04
Revenue from State Sources: Foundation Aid Sweepstakes Incentive Aid School Lunch	9,712.16 2,619.31 750.67 70.36
Revenue from Federal Sources: Vocational Education National Forest Reserve School Lunch and Special Milk Program	19.92 46.76 3,484.89
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1975	\$86,231.01 1,413.08
	\$87,644.09

PAYMENTS

1975 - 1976

A.1		
Administration:	Φ 070.0	
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 370.0	-
Contracted Services	65.0	_
Other Expenses of District Officers	103.2	2
Instruction:		
Teachers' Salaries	17,915.5	0
Other Salaries	1,641.2	
Textbooks	508.9	
School Libraries and Audiovisual Materials	423.7	8
Teaching Supplies	1,550.5	7
Other Expenses	348.2	<u>'</u> 4
Attendance Services:		
Salaries	20.0	0
Galai 155		_
Health Services:		
Salaries	660.0	10
Pupil Transportation:		
Salaries	31.5	0
Contracted Services	7,488.0)4
Operation of Plant:		
Salaries	1,150.0	00
Supplies, Except Utilities	165.0	
Contracted Services	22.6	30
Heat for Buildings	1,260.6	
Utilities, Except Heat	814.4	
3		_
Maintenance of Plant:	_	
Replacement of Equipment	11.9	-
Repairs to Equipment	106.3	_
Contracted Services	350.0	_
Repairs to Buildings	463.1	0
Fixed Charges:		
Teachers' Retirement System	368.1	1
F.I.C.A.	1,067.8	34
Insurance	395.6	35

School Lunch: Federal Monies District Monies State Monies	3,484.89 1,100.00 70.36			
Capital Outlay: Equipment	88.00			
Outgoing Transfer Accounts: Tuition to other School Districts: Approved Middle/Junior High High School District's Share of Supervisory Union Expenses Tuition to Private Nonsectarian Schools Elementary	18,598.80 21,095.16 4,686.00 1,173.32			
Total Payments for all Purposes	\$87,598.21			
Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1976	45.88			
GRAND TOTAL	\$87,644.09			
BALANCE SHEET				
Assets, June 30, 1976 Cash on hand, June 30, 1976 Accounts Due to District: From Town	\$ 45.88 21,245.88			
GRAND TOTAL	\$21,291.76			
Liabilities, June 30, 1976 Accounts Owed by District: Northumberland School District (Tuition High School 1975-76)	17,790.12			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$17,790.12			
Surplus (Excess of Assets Over Liabilities)	3,501.64			
GRAND TOTAL	\$21,291.76			

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

1975 - 1976

Salaries of District Officers:				
Leona Demers Jeannette Gagne Beatrice Tuttle Margaret Frizzell Raynald Daley Doris Stearns	\$	100.00 100.00 100.00 50.00 10.00 10.00		
			\$	370.00
Contracted Services:				
Lillian Gilman, Auditor Reta Tisdale, School Census		15.00 50.00		
				65.00
Other Expenses of District Officers:				
N. H. School Boards Association North Country Publishing Company People's National Bank, Bank		91.00 9.00		
Service Charge		3.22		
				103.22
Salaries of Teachers:				
Harriette Boyd District's Share of Blue Cross -		25.00		
Blue Shield Insurance Lillian Gilman Roger McKinstry Northumberland School District		200.00 ,700.00 ,300.00		
(Art and Music) Francis Pepau Deanna Peters	1	,153.00 337.50 200.00		
			17	,915.50
Other Salaries for Instruction:				
Emma Zimmerman			1	,641.20

Textbooks:

Addison-Wesley Publishing	
Company, Inc.	\$ 47.91
Follett Educational Corp.	119.47
Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.	23.72
Laidlaw Brothers	131.17
Newspaper Enterprise Association	35.08
Zaner-Bloser Handwriting	151.56

\$ 508.91

Library and Audio-Visual Materials:

Martin-Murray Corp.	216.95
Multi-Media Services	46.76
National Geographic Society	18.80
Newsweek	19.50
North Country Education Services	105.35
Schoolmasters Science	4.42
The University of Chicago Press	12.00

423.78

Teaching Supplies:

Addison-Wesley Publishing	
Company, Inc.	43.72
Alesco	10.56
The Economy Company	94.80
The Education Center	8.00
Ambrose J. Flynn	30.29
Giant Ant Farm	4.50
Lillian Gilman	2.41
Good Apple	9.00
J. L. Hammett Company	193.87
Interstate Music Supply Company	60.48
Laidlaw Brothers	31.63
Mainco School Supply Company	426.87
Mr. Roger McKinstry, petty cash	20.00
Elliott Morris Company	67.40
Nasco	6.85
New England School Supply	5.54
Newspaper Enterprise Association	15.00
Office Products of Berlin	63.50
Quality Business Systems, Inc.	20.53
Alan E. Rich	9.99
Schoolmasters Science	41.15
Science Kit, Inc.	50.27

Scott, Foresman & Company Social Studies School Service	304.46 29.75	
		1,550.57
Other Expenses for Instruction:		
American Theatre Arts for Youth Irving Boudle Jostens Roger McKinstry N. H. Music Educators Association N. H. School Boards Association North Country Education Services	79.50 50.00 14.84 176.15 5.00 21.75	
		348.24
Salaries - Attendance:		
Donald Croteau		20.00
Salaries - Health Services:		
Bureau of Dental Health, N. H. State Treasurer Robert I. Hinkley, M. D. Northumberland School District Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Service, Inc.	220.00 15.00 400.00 25.00	
		660.00
Salaries - Transportation:		
Violet Burt		31.50
Contracted Services — Pupil Transporta	ation:	
Violet Burt Kelley's Auto Supply, Inc. Normandeau Trucking Northumberland School District Nugent Motor Company Ryan's Fuel Service, Inc. Town of Northumberland	1.40 8.40 11.25 458.00 5,941.13 26.49 1,041.37	7,488.04
		7,400.04

Salaries - Operation of Plant:		
Ruby Rolfe Philip Stearns	\$ 100.00 1,050.00	
		1,150.00
Supplies - Operation of Plant:		
Emerson & Son S & W Market Stark General Store	14.82 74.74 5.34	
Tri-State Paper Products	70.10	
		165.00
Contracted Services - Operation of Plan	nt:	
Normandeau Trucking Arthur Tuttle	19.10 3.50	
		22.60
Heat for Building:		
Cray Oil Company Groveton Oil Company	853.41 407.23	
		1,260.64
Utilities, except Heat:		
New England Telephone Company Public Service Company of N. H.	180.42 634.06	
		814.48
Replacement of Equipment:		
Emerson & Son, Inc.		11.95
Repairs to Equipment:		

		814.48
Replacement of Equipment:		
Emerson & Son, Inc.		11.95
Repairs to Equipment:		
Eastern Musical Supply Company	29.50	
Lillian Gilman	4.00	
Multi-Media Services	9.15	
North Country Education Services	63.70	
		106.35
Contracted Services - Maintenance of I	Plant:	
Stuart Lord		350.00

Repairs to Buildings: Emerson & Son, Inc. Groveton Plumbing & Heating Normandeau Trucking Stark General Store	184.67 190.74 83.64 4.05	
		463.10
Teachers' Retirement: N. H. Retirement System		368.11
F.I.C.A. N. H. State Treasurer N. H. State Treasurer, (OASI Fund)	1,065.12 2.72	
		1,067.84
Insurance: Langley's Insurance Company George M. Stevens & Son Company	350.65 45.00	
		395.65
School Lunch: Federal Monies District Monies		3,555.25 1,100.00
Equipment:		
Interstate Restaurant Equipment Corp.		88.00
Tuition:		
Northumberland School District Stratford School District	39,369.90 324.06	
		39,693.96
Supervisory Union Expenses: Supervisory Union No. 58		4,686.00
Tuition - Other than Public Schools:		
North Country Community Services		1,173.32
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$87,598.21

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1975-76

State's Share Northumberland School District's Share Stratford School District's Share Stark School District's Share	\$ 3,750.00 10,524.05 3,883.09 922.86
Stark School District 3 Shale	\$19,080.00

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1975-76

State's Share Northumberland School District's Share	\$ 2,350.00 9,302.08
Stratford School District's Share Stark School District's Share	3,432.21 815.71
	\$15,000,00

COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUDGETS

SUMMARY	Expend. for 1975-76	Estimate for 1976-77	Budget for 1977–78
Administration:			
Salaries of District Officers Contracted Services Other Expenses of Dist. Officers	\$ 370.00 65.00 103.22	\$ 370.00 90.00 300.00	\$ 370.00 140.00 300.00
Instruction:			
Salaries of Teachers Other Salaries for	17,915.50	17,903.00	19,103.00
Instruction Textbooks School Libraries &	1,641.20 508.91	2,340.00 350.00	2,600.00 750.00
Audiovisual Teaching Supplies Contracted Services Other Expenses for	423.78 1,550.57	450.00 1,300.00 1,400.00	450.00 1,800.00 1,500.00
Instruction	348.24	250.00	300.00
Attendance Services: Salaries for Attendance			
Services	20.00	20.00	20.00
Health Services:			
Salaries for Health Services Other Expenses for	660.00	800.00	800.00
Health Services		25.00	25.00
Pupil Transportation: Salaries for Pupil			
Transportation Contracted Services for	31.50		
Pupil Transportation		8,000.00	9,540.00
Operation of Plant:			
Salaries for Operation of Plant	1,150.00	1,500.00	1,600.00
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Supplies for Operation			
of Plant Contracted Svcs. for	165.00	400.00	400.00
Operation of Plant	22.60	50.00	50.00
Heat for Buildings	1,260.64	1,400.00	1,500.00
Utilities, except Heat	814.48	900.00	1,000.00
Maintenance of Plant:			
Salaries for Maintenand of Plant	ce	100.00	100.00
Replacement of Equip	. 11.95	100.00 275.00	100.00 100.00
Repairs to Equipment	106.35	125.00	100.00
Contracted Services	100.00	120.00	100.00
for Maintenance	350.00	800.00	500.00
Repairs to Buildings	463.10	300.00	300.00
Fixed Charges:			
Teachers' Retirement			
System	368.11	500.00	600.00
F.I.C.A.	1,067.84	1,200.00	1,400.00
Insurance	395.65	800.00	800.00
School Lunch:			
Federal Monies	3,555.25		
District Monies	1,100.00	1,200.00	
Student Body Activitie	s:		
Expenditures and trans	fers		
of monies for general s			
port of separate studen	t-		
body activities fund or			.=
funds			150.00
Capital Outlay:			
Sites		400.00	
Equipment	88.00	350.00	250.00
Outgoing Transfer Acco	ounts:		
Tuition	39,693.96	72,000.00	78,000.00
Dist. Share of Super-			
visory Union Exp. Tuition - Private	4,686.00	5,271.00	5,541.00
ruition - Private	1,173.32		
	\$87,598.21	\$121,169.00	\$130,089.00

RECEIPTS

	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
Unencumbered			
Balance	\$ 1,413.08	\$ 3,501.64*	\$ 2,000.00
Town Appropriation	68,969.90	97,362.83	107,809.00
State Foundation Aid	9,712.16	16,164.69	16,200.00
Sweepstakes Revenue	2,619.31	3,457.50	3,400.00
Incentive Aid (Groveto	n		
Area Agreement)	750.67	682.34	680.00
State Aid, School			
Lunch	70.36		
Federal Aid, School			
Lunch	3,484.89		
NDEA Title III	19.92		
National Forest			
Reserve	46.76		
Other Receipts	557.04		
	\$87,644.09	\$121,169.00	\$130,089.00

^{*} See Balance Sheet

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The current school year has proven to be a continuation of the stabilizing of programs started last year. A great deal of progress has been made to establish a sound basic program, particularly in language arts skills. Science and math, at the intermediate levels, has been strengthened by the purchase of a variety of materials and the introduction of interesting activities.

The programs for students who have special needs are functioning very well. Title I activities for children who are educationally disadvantaged are providing tutoring on a one to one or small group basis. The pre-school program is also funded by Title I and operates three days per week in the town hall.

Special Education students are being served in Groveton and at the School for Exceptional Children in Berlin. Next year Groveton will operate a special class and hopefully all of the special students can be served there.

Stark high school students are participating in the Groveton Building Trades Program and in the Berlin High School Area Vocational Programs.

The Experimental Schools Program has only one year to go on its five year contract. Resource room materials are being purchased and career and environmental education lessons developed and implemented in the classroom. Dr. Peters has prepared a separate report outlining their activities.

All of you are invited to visit the school, talk with the teachers and observe the programs in progress.

Once again I would like to thank the school board, the teachers, students, and citizens for your cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALAN E. RICH Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The 1976-77 school year has been highlighted by a social studies grant. Materials from the grant (maps, globes, simulation games, etc.) have richly enhanced the academic program at the school.

The students' performance as a whole has been very encouraging as evidenced by marked gains in reading and in math in particular.

The pre-school program, under the direction of Mrs. Gordon, is working hard to prepare youngsters for the primary grades. It is a vital part of the educational system of Stark.

This year's Christmas concert and planned spring "Learning Fair" are events which involve the students with his community; an integral part of academic and social growth.

In closing I would like to thank the staff, the school board and the community at large for their continued support of our program.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER MCKINSTRY Principal

EXPERIMENTAL SCHOOLS PROJECT

(ESP)

Dr. Richard Peters, Director

Career/Vocational Coordinator Language Arts/Environmental Education Coordinator Secretary/Bookkeeper Paul Hawley

Gordon Schnare Mary Ann Haney

SUMMARY OF ESP ACTIVITIES 1976

Adult Education

In the Spring of 1976 (April-June) the following courses were offered in Union 58 communities:

Cake Decorating Candlemaking Ceramics Crocheting

In the Fall of 1976 (September-December) the following courses were offered in Union 58 communities:

Advanced Cake Decorating (2 courses) Basic Cake Decorating Beginning Weaving Crocheting Sewing

Career/Vocational Education

During the course of 1976, Kindergarten through grade six and grades 7-12 teachers were involved in program development. By September 1976, K-6 students were being exposed to prepared lessons and purchased materials, as well as taking field trips, having guest speakers visit classrooms, and learning more about diverse careers and jobs. At the grades 7-12 level, lessons are being developed in specific career cluster areas: Communications and Media, the Environment, and Manufacturing, and implemented in classrooms.

In September, teachers received updated copies of the CAREER EDUCATION TEACHER RESOURCE GUIDE (containing lessons and lists of materials and community resource people).

Instructional materials resource rooms have been established at the Groveton Elementary School and the Stratford School. Purchased materials have been made readily available for pupil/teacher use

Mini courses offered to secondary school students included:

Building Trades Cake Decorating Fly tying Health Occupations Gun Safety and Usage Small Engine Repair

During the course of 1976, approximately 241 K-6 and 197 grades 7-12 students were involved in project sponsored field trips. Approximately 45 students were placed at area worksites during the course of the year. N. H. State Labor Department personnel have toured and inspected worksites, and have granted approval for student placement.

Language Arts

The Scott Foresman leveled reading program is in use in all Union 58 elementary schools. During the course of 1976, ESP staff members have visited classrooms and observed the use of Scott Foresman materials with students.

In the Fall of 1976, ESP purchased supplemental Scott Foresman materials and teachers were introduced to these materials at workshops.

The Groveton Elementary School has developed a grades 1-6 language arts skills list. Other schools in the union are also working on similar lists, the purpose of a skills list is to identify those basic language skills needed to be mastered by students, so that they can progress smoothly from grade to grade and develop skills related to oral and printed communication.

ESP has sponsored remedial reading for selected students in grades 7-9 at Groveton High School and Stratford High School. In the fall of 1976, ESP also sponsored a communications skills mini course at Groveton High School. A similar course will be offered at Stratford in early 1977. In 1976, a total of 66 students were enrolled in remedial reading, and 8 students enrolled in the communication skills mini course at Groveton High School.

<u>Kid's Corner</u> and <u>Bits and Pieces</u> were published. Students contributed original stories, poems and puzzles and shared their talents with others in the Union.

Environmental/Outdoor Education

In 1976, there was a transition of responsibility for weekend day trips and overnight camping trips from the ESP project to the high schools. In the Spring, ESP sponsored weekend activities, and in the Fall of 1976, outing clubs were organized at the building level. Ms. Shireen Lefebvre was the outing club advisor/

leader at the Stratford School. A total of 31 students (grades 7-12) were involved in the weekend outings.

Elementary teachers, (K-6) have developed and implemented EE lessons. Beginning in the Fall, secondary teachers (7-12) have been developing environmental education lessons. Implementation will follow.

Two EE outdoor lab sites have been acquired for student/ teacher use, one in Groveton (Fisk Pasture) and one in Stratford (Greg McDonald's pasture land). These sites provide opportunities for student EE research projects outside the classroom.

In September 1976, teachers were given updated copies of the ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION TEACHER RESOURCE GUIDE (containing lessons and lists of materials and community resource people).

Level I Evaluation

During the course of 1976, the local ESP project was involved with the design and implementation of two short term research projects as part of its research responsibilities.

Two reports were developed and centered around The Utilization of Natural, Social, and Human Community Resources in the Process of Student Career Awareness Development and A Process for Affecting Students Career Maturity Development in a Rural Schools System. In April 1976, the student career awareness development study was presented to the membership of the American Education Research Association (AERA) membership in San Francisco.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD PETERS, Director Experimental Schools Program (ESP) Project

GRADE PLACEMENT CHART

	Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Lillian Gilman		5	6	9				20
Roger McKinstry					6	7	12	25
Totals		5	6	9	6	7	12	45

In addition to the enrollment in the grades, there are three attending Groveton Elementary School and fifty-nine attending Groveton High School.

Groveton Elementary School

Name	Grade	Name	Grade
John Croteau	5	Dee Dee Oakes	5
Connie Hand	5		
	Groveton	High School	
Brian Ball	7	Charlotte Shedd	9
Janet Benway	7	Brenda Simino	9
Steven Boudle	7	Michael Simino	9
Olga Gagne	7	Debbie Snow	9
Donald Gilman	7	Kenneth Zimmerman	9
Brendon Hopps	7	Bonnie Benway	10
Kenneth Mercure	7	Cindy Benway	10
Valerie Oakes	7	Peter Croteau	10
Douglas Shannon	7	Monica Gilman	10
Kevin Ball	8	David Hand	10
Vincent Ball	8	Wayne Hand	10
Brenda Benway	8	Harold Nielsen	10
Dean DeMers	8	Lewis Niles	10
David Gagnon	8	Joanne Pepau	10
Stephen Gilman	8	Penny Rolfe	10
John Hand	8	Terry Shannon	10
Alexander Johnston	8	Reginald Shedd	10
Mark Lurvey	8	Alice Trites	10
John Reed	8	Richard Barlow	11
Donald Rolfe	8	Roger Boivin	11
Linda Sanzo	8	Richard Gilman	11
(Left 11/12/76)		Christian Nielsen	11
Linda Seminatore	8	Koren Simino	11
Sheila Simino	8	George Couture	12
Henry Barlow	9	Dennis Croteau	12

Maurice Boivin	9	Dale DeMers	12
Paul Couture	9	Dana Lunn	12
Susan Croteau	9	Linda Rogers	12
Donald Hand	9	Barbara Shedd	12
Deborah Hartshorn	9		
Terry Niles	9		

SUPERVISORY UNION #58 STUDENT SCHOOL CALENDAR 1977 - 1978

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Oct. 21

Nov. 11

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29	30	31											
Sept	ember	throug	h Janua	ary — 9	4 Days	;	Feb	ruary t	hrough	June –	- 86 Da	ıys	
							AYS OUT						

Total - 180 Days Attendance for Instructional Purposes

First day of school

Veterans' Day

Nov. 24 & 25 Thanksgiving Recess

Teachers' Convention

Dec. 22 - Jan. 1

Feb. 20 - Feb. 24

Apr. 24 - Apr. 28

May 29 & 30

June 16

Christmas Vacation

Memorial Day Recess

Last Day of School

Winter Vacation

Spring Vacation

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

Date of Birth 1976	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
June 5	Fletcher Kellog Wyman	Σ	Allen Bradford Wyman	Susan Huiskamp	New York	Wisconsin
June 6	Sara Jane Carey	ட	Steven Charles Carey	Joanne Hazel Hodge	z z	r z
June 27	Justin Robert Rolfe	Σ	Robert Justin Rolfe	Paula Jean Brady	i i	ï.
July 1	Amanda Lynn Dupuis	ய	Randall Maurice Dupuis	Carol Lynn Parks	z ï	i i
Sept. 6	Sara Joy Cookson	u.	Wesley Charles Cookson	Joy Vivian Stearns	z ï	Vermont
Oct. 2	Stacy Lee Benway	ட	Frederick Mitchell Benway	Laurie Anne Boudle	Conn.	
Oct. 14	Jason Bartholomew Goulette	Σ	Richard Arthur Goulette	Patti Joan Benway	ı. I	i
Oct. 20	Corey Lee Mason	Σ	Harley Everett Mason	Deborah Pearl McLain	ı z	i ż
Nov. 16	Shelly Marie DeBlois	щ	Richard Joseph DeBlois	Margaret Vivian Hand	Canada	ı Z
– 91 –	I hereby certify that the abov	e return i	hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. DORIS STEARNS, Town (of my knowledge and belief. DORIS STEARNS, Town Clerk	f. Olerk	

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

Date and Place of Marraige	Name & Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marr.	Date of Birth of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Name & Birthplace of Groom's Parents	Name & Birthplace of Bride's Parents	Name, Residence and Officials Station of per-
January 28, 1976 Stark, N. H.	Lee Scott Thompson Ruby Ann Mercure	Stark, N. H. Stark, N. H.	Feb. 25, 1947 May 17, 1941	Z Z I I	Robert A. Thompson, N. H. Phoebe Littlefield, N. H.	Howard L. Ball, Vt.	Rev. Herbert E. Cummings
March 27, 1976	Henry Stewart Tweedie	Groveton, N.H.	Groveton, N.H. June 20, 1916	ς χ	John Tweedie, Scotland	Lynn Noyes, N. H.	Rev. Robert S. Simard
Groveton, N. H.	Thelma Noyes Cloutier	Stark, N. H.	Stark, N. H. June 14, 1915	. ΄.	Elspeth Whitlock, Mississippi	Laura Higgins, N. H.	Groveton N. H.
June 19, 1976	Frederick Mitchell Benway Stark, N. H.	Stark, N. H.	June 15, 1958	N.H.	Frederick J. Benway, N. H.	Irving H. Boudle, N.H. The Rev. John	Irving H. Boudle, N.H. The Rev. John D. Merkel
Berlin, N. H.	Laurie Anne Boudle Stark, N. H.	Stark, N. H.	May 19, 1961	Conn.	Juanita Peers, Maine	Veronica M. Parks, N. H. Berlin, N. H.	Veronica M. Parks, N. H. Berlin, N. H.
July 25, 1976	Gerald S. Seminatore	Stark, N.H.	Aug. 10, 1935	Mass.	Gerald Seminatore, Italy	Ernest G. Nelson, N.H.	Ernest G. Nelson, N.H. Paul F. Donovan, J. Of P. Olga Nason, N.H. Lancaster, N.H.
Lancaster, N. H.	Dianne Carol Nelson	Eaton, N.H.	June 12, 1945	N.H.	Christina Surette, Unknown	Olga Nason, N.H.	
August 21, 1976	Robert Joseph Donovan	Stark, N.H.	Nov. 28, 1956	ς.	Joseph Donovan, Vermont	نه	Rev. William P. Gallagher
Brighton, Vt.	Sheila Ann Pond	Brighton, Vt.	Aug. 2, 1958	Έ	Margaret Hagon, Vermont		Brighton Vt
Nov. 13, 1976	Harold Dean Hopps	Percy, N.H.	June 15, 1957	II.	Elias Hopps, N. H.	Sanada	Rev. Joseph A. Cote
Berlin, N. H.	Flavie Louise Anctil	Berlin, N.H.	Dec. 28, 1955		Beatrice Hill, N.H.	Canada	Berlin, N. H.
December 4, 1976	December 4, 1976 Anthony Joseph Haney	Groveton, N.H. Aug. 15, 1955	Aug. 15, 1955	ıï	Alfred Haney, Kentucky	Albert Boivin, Conn.	Harold A. Stephen, J. of P. Bethlehem, N.H.
Bethlehem, N.H.	Bethlehem, N.H. Mary Ann Boivin	Stark, N. H. May 16, 1955	May 16, 1955	ZZ	Jacqueline Grondin, N.H.	Doris Martin, N.H.	
	I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief	oove return is con	ect, according to	the best of	f my knowledge and belief.		

DORIS STEARNS, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

ition Mane of Father of Mother	Arthur King	
0,2	F - W Married Housewife	
Age Place of Birth	49 Berlin, N. H.	
Name	Irene D. Cote	
Date and Place of Death	July 4, 1976 Stark, N. H.	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DORIS STEARNS, Town Clerk



